



Students' Society of McGill University
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Office of the Vice-President (External Affairs)
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VP External's Report to Council

December 1st, 2016

Personal

Doing alright

External Affairs

- **Ask committee members if they want to be part of a couple committees within AVEQ**
- **Put up some posters around campus for AVEQ's campaign against the deregulation of international student fees**

Committees

- **Provincial Representation Committee: working on a research project about how the overall university budget is spent and managed**
- **Revisited the Accessible Education Policy and came up with all the additions we'd like to include**
- **Community Engagement Committee: lots of involvement from AUS folks, looking to get more representation from other faculties. Working on five major projects, including two that are part of francophone affairs**

Francophone Affairs

- **Francophone Evening event will be happening in January – it's gonna be "allumé"...get it? Ya you do. Working with the AUS VP Comms and the Francophone Commission on this.**
- **Started planning Quebec Culture Week within the Comm Engagement Committee; five events lined up**
- **Contacted five local businesses to see if they'd be interested in sponsoring a "sugar shack" event on lower field**

Indigenous Affairs

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Community Affairs

- **Two meetings with Helene Brisson, one of which was with Chris Buddle**
- **Working on finding solutions to the garbage/waste disposal problem in the neighbourhood – exploring different avenues with the Comm Eng committee, up to and including proposing an SPF project**
- **Presented campaigns ideas to Helene for the neighbourhood, showed a draft of poster art**



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Campaigns

- **McGill Against Austerity: members attended a direct action in support of AMUSE and a spontaneous demo against the Kinder Morgan pipeline approval**
- **Divest McGill: had a general meeting, worked within the External Working Group. We received the report on the Open Forum on Sustainability – looked it over.**

Union Affairs

- **If you know anyone who's worked as a floor fellow from 2010 to now, let me know**
- **[UPDATES]: After hard work from AMUSE, a tentative agreement has been reached with the university**
- **SSMU hosting MCC next week**

Independent Student Campaigns

- **Envisioning Solidarity at McGill: this is the event I've been talking about for weeks. It's happening tomorrow night, 4:30-8:30. Dinner will be provided.**
- **Had a debrief with QPIRG regarding Culture Shock – will start working on Social Justice Days very soon**

Websites

- **Look into volunteer opportunities in Milton-Parc and surrounding Plateau area**
- **Made a list of existing resources for apartment finding – to aggregate them**

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With love and solidarity,

David Aird